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BOOK SALE MAY 20

Quatrefoil's semi-annual 1989 spring book sale will be held on Saturday, May 20. General interest books will be on sale in the hallway outside the library, while Gay/Lesbian materials will be inside the library. We need more books for the sale. If you can't bring them in, we will try to arrange to pick them up. Also, volunteers are needed to help set up on Friday, May 19, from 4-8pm and to work 2-3 hour shifts at the sale on the 20th. Call 641-0969 if you have materials or time to donate.

QUATREFOIL AT GAY PRIDE

People are needed to carry the Quatrefoil banner during the Gay Pride parade on June 25. We also would like as many people as possible to walk behind the banner. If walking all that distance is not for you, you could help staff the table at the post-parade rally. Call the library soon and get your pick of the options (sorry, there's only enough room behind the banner for a few thousand, so get your name in early!).

ART EXHIBITS OPEN APRIL 23 AND JUNE 11

"Inner Landscapes", an exhibit of acrylic and pastel paintings by Jayson King, opens at the library with a reception for the artist on Sunday, April 23, from 2-4pm. The show runs through May 28 during library hours. The next showing will feature bronze sculptures by Kimberly Fieberger. The opening reception will be from 2-4 pm on June 11. The exhibit will close on July 22. For further information on exhibition opportunities, call Bonnie Fournier at 291-1164 during business hours, or the library.

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 22 - May 20
May 20
June 10 - July 22
June 26

Art Show by Jayson King
Semi-annual book sale at the library
Art show by Kimberly Fieberger
Deadline for next Gay Bookworm

The Gay Bookworm is published bi-monthly at 1619 Dayton Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55104, for the members and friends of Quatrefoil Library: David D. Irwin, Executive Director; Dolly Ruark, Editor.

COMMITTEES APPROVED

At their April meeting, the Board approved the formation of 7 committees to be composed of library members. The Board is actively soliciting volunteers for these committees (this means you!). We particularly need people for committees #1, #2, #4 and #5. If you are interested, please contact the library. If you have already indicated an interest in volunteering, a Board member will be calling you soon.

<u>Committee:</u>	<u>Brief Statement of Objectives:</u>
1. Public Relations/Membership	Increase library membership, enhance the library's image
2. Programs	Develop programs for library members and the sexual minorities community related to the library's mission statement
3. Publications	Write, type and mail the Gay Bookworm; write, revise and produce other brochures
4. Acquisitions	Recommend acquisition of books, periodicals, newspapers, etc.
5. Special Events	Raise money for the library by planning and carrying out fund-raising events
6. Development	Develop and carry out means of raising funds for the library other than fund-raising events, such as grant applications
7. Art*	Organize art shows

*Committee in place

VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED

We would like to have two people on duty each time we are open. We need an extra person on the following days in each month:

2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th Mondays
1st and 5th Tuesdays
5th Wednesday
5th Thursday
5th Saturday

Extra volunteers would allow greater flexibility for the whole operation. The person working a fifth day of the month would only be scheduled 4-5 times a year. We need volunteers to catalog tapes from Fresh Fruit, KFAI, and our video collection. The format is already established. All you need are basic typing skills and some spare time. We also need a data entry person. If you would like to learn how to use the Macintosh Plus computer, we will teach you. Finally, we need retired women and men during the day to help the director organize materials in the library.

Please note that one vacancy remains on the Board of Directors. Applications should be addressed to Edward Swanson, Board president.

If you can help in any of these areas, please let the Coordinator of Volunteers or the Director know.

MATURE GAYS AND LESBIANS

The group will continue to meet the last Sunday of the month. Easter apparently cut into our March meeting attendance, but no one was discouraged. The next meetings will be April 30, May 28, and June 25 from 2-4. Mark these dates on your calendars.

MISSING PEOPLE/OVERDUE BOOKS

There are a number of people who we have been unable to contact who have overdue books:

Scott D. Bakke	Melvin James
Rick Brouville	Morgan Michaels
Kevin Daly	Michael Toppe
Chris Dexter	Catherine Vecellio
Doug Ingraham	Daniel Wolpin

If you know any of these people, please urge them to contact us. We want to retrieve the books so others may enjoy them.

MISSING BOOKS

The following books are missing from the library. Through a clerical error of some kind, we cannot determine to whom the book was checked out.

Author(Publisher)/Title:

Christopher Street - *Aphrodisiac*
Covina - *City of Hermit*
Louys - *Aphrodite*
Olson - *The Secrets of Mabel Eastlake*
Rice - *The Vampire Lestat*
Salamanca - *Lilith*
Travis - *Manhattan*
Wood - *Seth*
Woods - *Masturbation, Tantra and Self-Love*
Young - *Women Who Love Women*
Zupp - *The Chronicles of Fenway Academy*

STATISTICS FOR MARCH, 1989

Library Open:	23 days - 2 Special Events
Director In:	19 days - 113 hours
Volunteers:	40 - 178 hours
Patrons In:	Men - 199
	Women - <u>141</u>
	Total - 340
Phone Calls:	60
Items Checked Out:	425
New Members:	14
Renewals	11

*So far in April (17th) we have 14 new members and 8 renewals.

FROM THE DIRECTOR

Travel and networking have occupied much of my time over the past two months. In March, I visited New York and met the executive director, board president and two members of SAGE, the social service organization for older gays and lesbians. Afterwards, I spent a profitable couple of hours talking with Donald Vining, who has worked on SAGE's oral history project for a number of years. Later, I went to Philadelphia to see Barbara Gittings, who has done so much work with the American Library Association to get gay materials in public libraries. Also, I talked with a representative of the Philadelphia Gay and Lesbian Library. (They have just moved and were not open when I was there. I plan to go back later this year when their new quarters will be open.) Of course, I visited some bookstores out East: New York's Oscar Wilde, A Different Light, and Gay Treasures - and Philadelphia's Giovanni's Room.

I recently spoke with Charles Botts from the MCC Library in Houston and the San Francisco Gay/Lesbian Historical Society about exchanging materials. Also, I have helped the new Gay and Lesbian Resource Center in Des Moines start their library. They plan to pick up the materials before the end of April. May 1, I leave for Britain where I expect to do some networking in Edinburgh, Oxford, London. Next, I'll be going to Amsterdam. All in all, it has been a busy two months, but that is the way I like it. Hope it continues this way!

HELP US SERVE YOU BETTER:

Please return books promptly. We try to keep abreast of the overdue books, but it is sometimes hard to keep up with everything. It takes time and postage to remind people of their overdue books.

If you move, please advise us as soon as possible, so we are not sending mail to the wrong address or telephoning you at a number which is no longer yours.

Renew your membership promptly. We depend on the steady renewal funds to keep the library going.

ON-GOING WISH LIST FOR QUATREFOIL

For the Periodicals Section:

- We have #8 (1971), Vol 1 #4&5 (1971), and Vol 2 #3 (1972) of *Gay Vue*, published in Mpls. in 1971-72. We are looking for all other issues.
- Minneapolis-St. Paul Gay Pride Bulletin 1978*
- In Touch*: Vol 1, #1: 130 & 140
- Journal of Homosexuality*: Vol 6, #1-3

For the Office and clipping files:

- six or eight letter-size, 4-drawer file cabinets

For the Patrons:

- New or good-condition used audio and video tapes or records

For the PIPE DREAMS:

- A micro-reader/printer - approximately \$1800
- Another Macintosh computer - approximately \$1800
- TV/VCR - approximately \$500

EDITOR'S NOTE

Planning is under way to determine Quatrefoil's involvement in this year's Gay Pride. Watch for further announcements. Details will also be available at the library in the near future.

Have you read every Marion Zimmer Bradley book in the library, or wish you had time? Are you particularly interested in science fiction with Gay/Lesbian themes and want to meet others for purposes of discussion? Call Penny at 870-0168. If a machine answers, leave your name and number.

COME SEE US

Quatrefoil Library is located at 1619 Dayton Ave., St Paul, in the Richards-Gordon Building (That's one block northwest of Snelling and Selby.). We're convenient to #4, #16 and #21 bus lines. The library is open Monday-Thursday evenings 7-9:30, and 12-4 on Saturdays. Our phone number is 641-0969. The library is wheelchair accessible via the elevator at the southwest entrance of the building.